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- 11. Following ref A tasking, Mission has made repeated attempts to contact Bionica Technologies in Lagos without success. On 17 March, a Lagos-based FCS specialist attempted to visit the address listed in the application and reported the only business enterprise at that location to be Five Five Fisheries Limited. On inquiry, PM/DTCC provided additional contact information for Bionica, but Post has not been able to make contact with Bionica on any of the provided phone numbers.
- 12. In the additional contact information provided, George Logothetis was identified as a representative of Bionica. Mr. Logothetis is a Greek national known to Post as an intermediary between the GON and commercial (mostly defense) interests and claims to have been involved in this work for over 30 years, mostly focusing on communications equipment. At times, Mr. Logothetis, has approached Mission for commercial advocacy assistance in instances when he was representing US firms. There has been no such request from Mr. Logothetis on this case.
- 13. The Office of the Defense Attache has received no response, positive or negative, from the Nigerian defense establishment after requests to confirm the order for direction finders.

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